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a. There are only four regiments designated "Army" Heavy Artillery Regiments located in Sofia, Plovdiv, Sliven and Shumen;

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b. The 3 Army Heavy Artillery Regiment from Shumen encamped during the summers of 1952 and 1953 between Pudarovo (N 42-44, E 26-41) and Grozdovo (sic, probably identical with Grosden (N 42-43, E 26-46)) villages;

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c. The 3 Army Heavy Artillery Antitank Regiment from Sliven was located in the same encampment during the summer of 1953;

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d. These regiments had firing practice from positions near Balabanchevo village (N 42-47, E 26-47), firing in the direction of Skala village (N 42-46, E 26-42);

e. The regiment had no new weapons in service;

f. The 3 Army Heavy Artillery Regiment from Shumen spent the winter of 1952-53 in the vicinity of Golyamo Sharkovo (N 42-02, E 26-50), Malko Sharkovo (N 42-06, E 26-49), Mamarchevo (N 42-06, E 26-48) and Bolyarovo (N 42-07, E 26-49) villages; it was to begin leaving its encampment near Pudarovo on 15 September 1953 to go to the Turkish border area;

g. The soldiers and officers are very dissatisfied with present conditions and constantly complain; and

h. Soviet officers are assigned only to those Bulgarian military headquarters where there are Bulgarian generals in command.

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- 25X1 2. On 26 July 1953, [] military check point at the
 25X1 intersection of the Straldzha-Kotel and Sliven-Karnobat highways (N 42-39,
 E 26-40). On 14 August, [] a "large bivouac" near the large
 bridge just east of this intersection.
- 25X1 3. At about 1500 hours on 13 August, [] 12, six-wheeled, light trucks
 pulling guns, pass through Pudarovo in the direction of Avramovo. []
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- 25X1 4. On 13 August, []
 rifle fire coming from the camp located between Pudarovo and Grozdovo which is a
 permanent camp.
- 25X1 Razgrad Area
- 25X1 5. An unimproved road branches off from the Popovo-Razgrad highway about two
 kilometers from Razgrad and just south of the Razgrad prison farm. This road
 leads to a summer camp for soldiers from units located in Razgrad. The camp is
 25X1 located on a hill between Getsovo and Trastika villages. Getsovo is on the Ruse-
 Razgrad highway 3-4 kilometers from Razgrad, and Trastika is on the Razgrad-
 Popovo highway about 7-8 kilometers from Razgrad.
- 25X1 6. The traditional barracks of 19 Rifle Regiment are located east southeast of
 Razgrad on the outskirts of the city. The barracks are bounded by the Razgrad-
 Shumen and Razgrad-Turgovishte highways and the village road to Poroishte which
 25X1 branches off the Razgrad-Turgovishte highway. []
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7. The barracks of an unidentified antitank artillery unit are located on the west
 outskirts of Razgrad. They are southeast of the intersection of the Razgrad-Ruse
 and Razgrad-Popovo highways.

Mobilization

8. [] on 15 August there was
 a partial mobilization in progress in the Burgas Okrug.

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